MARYLAND OUT-OF-STATE ATTORNEY'S EXAMINATION **NOTICE TO UNSUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES**

Retaking the Out Of State Attorney's Examination – Pursuant to Maryland Rule 19-213(j), candidates may take the Out-of-State Attorney's Examination a maximum of four (4) times. To submit a Retake Petition for the Out-of-State Attorney's Examination, log into your eBar account and navigate to the "My Status" page. Click on "Create New Petition" and fill out the required fields. eBar will automatically generate a Retake Petition, based upon your eBar record. Check carefully to see that all fields are filled accurately. Submit your Petition online and use the printer icon located on the "My Status" page to print a hard copy. Sign the Retake Petition and file the hard copy Retake Petition with SBLE's office, along with a check or money order for \$250.00 payable to "State Board of Law Examiners" by the filing deadline. All SBLE filing deadlines are RECEIVED BY deadlines, not post-marked dates.

<u>Examination dates and deadlines</u> – Information on examination dates, filing deadlines and exam locations for the next administration of the Out-of-State Attorney's Examination are available at SBLE's website – http://www.mdcourts.gov/ble/pdfs/2018osadates.pdf.

<u>Passing Standard</u> – Pursuant to Board Rule 6, the minimum passing score on the Out-of-State Attorney's Exam is 70% of the total points available. There were eight (8) questions on the July 2017 exam. The "zero" scores listed for questions 9 through 10 on results notices for unsuccessful applicants are NOT part of the grade calculation for this exam.

Policy on Regrading – There is no re-grade available on the Out-of-State Attorney Exam.

<u>Review of Examination Answers</u> – Pursuant to Board 8, the State Board of Law Examiners ("SBLE") offers candidates who were unsuccessful on the Out-of-State Attorney's Examination the opportunity to review their examination answers. Copies of the exam questions and representative good answers written by successful applicants will be posted on the Board's website approximately 3 weeks after the release of exam results. <u>All requests for review of examination answers must be made within 60 days of the date results are released, which is the date printed on your results letter.</u> There are two (2) ways to review your answers:

- (1) send by mail a written, signed request for a copy of your answers (http://www.mdcourts.gov/ble/pdfs/requestreviewofexamanswers.pdf) along with a check or money order for \$10 payable to "State Board of Law Examiners," and SBLE will mail complete copies of your answers to you; or
- (2) call SBLE at 410-260-3640 to schedule an appointment to review your answers in person at SBLE's offices. Candidates reviewing in person may also request copies of their answers for \$10, payable by check only (NO CASH). Please note the in-person review process is not an interview and SBLE staff cannot provide any advice or commentary on what you did right or wrong on the Out-of-State Attorney's Exam or on how to improve your chances of success on future exams.

For more information – Complete information on Maryland's Bar Admission Rules, and use of the eBar electronic Bar application is available online at www.mdcourts.gov/ble. You may contact SBLE's administrative office with questions regarding the answer review procedure, Retake Petition procedure, and for any other information regarding the Out Of State Attorney's Examination by email at sble@mdcourts.gov, or by telephone at 410-260-3640 during SBLE's normal business hours – Monday through Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm, except Court holidays.